# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1605
ANSWERED ON:29.11.2000
BILL ON RESERVATION
ASHOK ARGAL

**Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether at present the reservation of appointment and posts for the persons belonging to Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes is restricred to the lowest rung of the Class 1 services only;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) since when and under what circumstances this restriction was imposed and the practice before imposition of this restriction;

(d) the reasons for not implementing the mandate of extending reservation policy to the higher rungs of services and appointements as provided under Art.16 (4A) incorporated to the Constitution through the 77th Amendment Act making provisions for reservation in matters of promotion to any class or classes of serivces and posts;

(e) whether the Government propose to bring out an Act of Parliament for effective implementation of the provisions of Articles 15(4), 16(4) and 16(4A) of the Constitution; and

(f) if so, the progress achieved in this regard since 1993 and the status of Bill on reservation?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING AND DEPARTMENT OF PENSION AND PENSIONERS` WELFARE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SMT. VASUN RAJE)

(a),(b)&(c): Reservation for SCs and STs is available in all Groups of posts which are filled up by direct recruitment and by non-selection method of promotion. Keeping in view the provisions of Article 335 of the Contitution, reservation for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the posts filled by selection method of promotion is available upto lowest rung of Group `A` posts.

(d) Article 16(4A) was incorporated with the objective of continuing the Policy of reservation in promotion existing prior to the incorporation of this Article.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) Does not arise.